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SUBJECT: SAUDI REACTION TO SECRETARY SCHLESINGER'S STATEMENTS
ON USING FORCE IN MIDDLE EAST; VISIT OF UNDER SECRETARY
ROBINSON TO THE KINGDOM

REF: A) STATE 115497; B) JIDDA 3543; C) STATE 116290

1. MESSAGE CONTAINED REF A WAS PASSED TO PRINCE FAHD'S OFFICE YESTERDAY (MAY 19). THE AMBASSADOR PASSED THE SAME MESSAGE TO MOHAMMAD MAS'UD, DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER, THIS AFTERNOON (MAY 20). HE CALLED FAHD'S OFFICE IN RIYADH IMMEDIATELY TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT FOR SECRETARY ROBINSON. THE NEGATIVE REACTION REPORTED IN REF B WAS CAUSED, AS WE HAD SUSPECTED, BY THE SAUDI REACTION TO SCHLESINGER'S STATEMENTS. THEY THOUGHT THAT "UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES" THERE WOULD PROBABLY BE VERY LITTLE FAHD AND THE UNDER SECRETARY WOULD HAVE TO SAY TO EACH OTHER.

2. THE AMBASSADOR TOLD MAS'UD, WHO PASSED ITO IMMEDIATELY TO FHAD'S OFFICE, THERE WERE MATTERS OF CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE TO BE DISCUSSED; MATTERS IN WHICH THE SAUDIS THEMSELVES WERE INTIMATELY INVOLVED. IF PRINCE FAHD WISHED TO MAKE ANY COMMENTS ON THE SCHLESINGER STATEMENTS HE WOULD HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO DIRECTLY TO

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SECRETARY ROBINSON. AFTER SOME WRANGLING, FAHD'S

OFFICE SAID THIS SEEMED REASONABLE AND THEY WOULD
TRY TO SET UP SOMETHING MAY 21.
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